

# HEAVY LIFTING AT STURBERG

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THEIR IS A SAMPLE. The Transvaal government has framed a new code of law by which individuals and companies working the mines are taxed thirty per cent of the output, while mines worked by the government will pay fifty per cent. Suspended mines will pay thirty per cent on their probable output, calculated on three months' workings. The new code will pay thirty per cent of their net profits. The law is retroactive to October 1st.

THROUS ARE GLAD. Enthusiasm Over Appointment of General Roberts and Kitchener. London, Dec. 29.—A dispatch from all parts of South Africa reports that the great joy of the Boers and the Boer people, occasioned by the appointments of General Roberts and Kitchener.

WAS INTENDED FOR BOERS MORE FILIPINO UPSTARTS. Bigger Admits that Much of Seland Cargoes was to Go to the Warriors. Representatives of the Alleged 'Filipino Congress' to Meet With McKinley.

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When I left Hong Kong Aguinid was in a small town four miles north of Marikina, and the report was that he was running away from his army. The army had little to do but to wait for him. I was in the Philippines for two months and I saw nothing but the same old story.

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## AMERICANS TAKE BIG STRONGHOLD

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## MANY PRISONERS CAPTURED

As Well as a Large Quantity of Arms and Ammunition—Llewellyn, Taylor Killed by a Train.

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